

# The Lord's Day Worship Service

May 31, 2020

## PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Welcome of Guests and Announcements

Prelude

## ADORATION OF GOD

Call to Worship

Hab. 2:20

"But the LORD is in His holy temple.

**Let all the earth be silent before Him."**

Prayer of Invocation

\* Hymn # 2....."O Worship the King"

\* Old Testament Scripture Reading.....Esther 2:21-23

## CONFESSION OF SIN

If we say we have no sin,

**we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.**

If we confess our sins,

**he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

1 John 1:8-9

Let us, therefore, humbly confess our sins unto our heavenly Father saying,

**Almighty and most merciful God, we acknowledge and confess that we have sinned against you in thought, in word, and in deed;**

**That we have not loved you with all our heart and soul, nor with all our mind and strength; and that we have not loved our neighbor as ourselves.**

**We beseech you, O God, to forgive what we have been, to help us to amend what we are, and, by your mercy, to direct what we shall be, so that we may henceforth walk in the way of your commandments, and do those things which are pleasing in your sight, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hear the promise of God to all who repent of their sins and trust in Christ:

*Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life; he who comes to Me will not hunger, and he who believes in Me will never thirst."*

Jn. 6:35

Therefore I declare to you:

*Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.*

Matt. 5:6

**Amen!**

## CONFESSION OF THE CHRISTIAN FAITH

\* Hymn # 92....."A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

\* New Testament Scripture Reading.....Revelation 12:7-12

The Heidelberg Catechism (Lord's Day 22).....read responsively

Q. 57 What comfort does the "resurrection of the body" afford thee?

A. **That not only my soul after this life shall be immediately taken up to Christ its head; but also, that this my body, being raised by the power of Christ, shall be reunited with my soul, and made like unto the glorious body of Christ.**

Q. 58 What comfort takest thou from the article of "life everlasting"?

A. **That since I now feel in my heart the beginning of eternal joy, after this life, I shall inherit perfect salvation, which "eye has not seen, nor ear heard, neither has it entered into the heart of man" to conceive, and that to praise God therein for ever.**

God's Tithes and Our Offerings

\* Doxology.....page 731

\* Offertory Prayer

\* Hymn # 499....."Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me"

## MEANS OF GRACE

Prayer of Intercession

\* Reading of the Word of God.....Acts 23:12-35

Sermon: "Assassination Plot".....Dr. Jones

## RESPONSE AND BLESSING

\* Hymn # 460....."Amazing Grace!"

\* Benediction

\* Congregational Threefold Amen

Acts 23:12–22 (NASB)

<sup>12</sup> When it was day, the Jews formed a conspiracy and bound themselves under an oath, saying that they would neither eat nor drink until they had killed Paul. <sup>13</sup> There were more than forty who formed this plot. <sup>14</sup> They came to the chief priests and the elders and said, “We have bound ourselves under a solemn oath to taste nothing until we have killed Paul. <sup>15</sup> “Now therefore, you and the Council notify the commander to bring him down to you, as though you were going to determine his case by a more thorough investigation; and we for our part are ready to slay him before he comes near *the place*.” <sup>16</sup> But the son of Paul’s sister heard of their ambush, and he came and entered the barracks and told Paul. <sup>17</sup> Paul called one of the centurions to him and said, “Lead this young man to the commander, for he has something to report to him.” <sup>18</sup> So he took him and led him to the commander and said, “Paul the prisoner called me to him and asked me to lead this young man to you since he has something to tell you.” <sup>19</sup> The commander took him by the hand and stepping aside, *began* to inquire of him privately, “What is it that you have to report to me?” <sup>20</sup> And he said, “The Jews have agreed to ask you to bring Paul down tomorrow to the Council, as though they were going to inquire somewhat more thoroughly about him. <sup>21</sup> “So do not listen to them, for more than forty of them are lying in wait for him who have bound themselves under a curse not to eat or drink until they slay him; and now they are ready and waiting for the promise from you.” <sup>22</sup> So the commander let the young man go, instructing him, “Tell no one that you have notified me of these things.”

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of  
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“ To Glorify God, and Enjoy Him Forever ”

# FRPC Announcements

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We welcome all worshippers, especially our new visitors.  
Please talk to the pastor about scheduling a visit in your home this week.

**WELCOME** – We welcome you all to the worship service of the First Reformed Presbyterian Church of Moss Bluff. Our desire and prayer is for this church to grow to become a light for the Gospel of Jesus Christ in this community.

**SUGGESTIONS** – We welcome your input and suggestions on how to make First Reformed Presbyterian Church *the* church for you.

**COMMUNION** – We observe the Lord’s Supper each Lord’s Day during our corporate worship. The center cups contain grape juice and the other cups contain wine.

**NO BIBLE STUDY** – There will not be a Bible Study this week.

## Weekly Schedule

### Sunday

Sunday Worship.....8:30 A.M.  
Fellowship Time.....9:30 A.M.  
Sunday School.....10:00 A.M.  
This Sunday the URL for YouTube is:.....<https://youtu.be/Del7pRuoW50>

# First Reformed Presbyterian Church Prayer Requests

## THE CHURCH

FRPC & DeRidder PCA.....10 new families; evangelistic zeal  
Southern Louisiana Presbytery.....108<sup>th</sup> Stated Meeting on July 25, 2020  
Presbyterian Church in America.....48<sup>th</sup> General Assembly has been canceled  
Persecuted Christians.....Pastor Wang Yi & Early Rain Covenant Church, China

## MISSIONARIES

African Bible Colleges.....Students and teachers  
Brian Brock.....Missionary pilot  
Bill Carr.....Mokahum Ministry Center (Native American Ministry) in Bemidji, MN  
Scott Clement.....(RE Plains PCA, Zachary) Navojoa, Sonora, Mexico  
Yannick Imbert.....Prof. at Aix-en-Provence, France

## SALVATION

Kathy’s and Barbara’s sisters  
Don  
Jennie

## CHILDREN & GRANDCHILDREN

Abby Finn  
Gavin Finn  
Lizzie Finn  
Caleb Greene  
Eowyn Greene  
Ilijah Greene  
Noah Greene  
Phillip Greene  
Samuel Greene

## GENERAL HEALTH & OTHER CONCERNS

Harvey Clineman.....Salvation; recovery from multiple bypass surgery  
Bill Haas (director of Mokahum).....Stroke and recovery  
Kathy Harper.....Pain in lower abdomen  
Angie.....Virus infection in Asst Care facility where she works  
Barbara Hebert.....Recovery from stroke; broken foot  
Beth Lordo.....Balancing work and family; medical treatments  
Don Lordo.....Kidney stones  
Ben Scoggins.....Rehab  
Charity Scoggins.....Eczema  
Elbie (Elizabeth) van der Merwe.....Spot on spine; cannot walk; test results

## CANCER

Margo Attwell.....Breast Cancer; chemo and radiation  
Patty Audirsch.....Lung cancer; chemo and radiation; sepsis  
Kent Bergeron (RE at Three Rivers PCA).....Continued recovery  
Ken Richardson.....Cancer; heart medication  
Marian Richardson.....Cancer; benign tumor in ear  
Butch Sizelove.....Cancer; liver problems

## **ASSASSINATION PLOT**

Text: Acts 23:12–35

### **I. THE PLOT TO KILL PAUL**

A. The Vow And The Plot

B. The Sanhedrin And The Plot

### **II. THE PLOT REVEALED**

A. Paul's Nephew And The Plot

B. The Roman Commander And The Plot

## **III. DELIVERED FROM THE PLOT**

A. The Commander's Plan

B. The Commander's Letter

C. The Safe Journey

## **IV. MAN'S SCHEMES AND GOD'S PROVIDENCE**

A. Ungodly Plans And Vows

B. God At Work